

The Green New Deal can offer a vision for a brighter, healthier future for ALL of us by adhering to a few critical guiding principles:

- **Community Inclusion:** Any policies developed on climate change, such as implementing climate resiliency adaptations must take into account the needs of ALL the communities directly impacted.
- **Lower Emissions:** Connecticut approved ambitious reduction in its carbon footprint and must act decisively now to meet those goals, and transition to 100% fossil-free clean energy by date certain.
- **Green Collar Jobs:** Smart investment in green initiatives can create public and private job growth as well as generate cost savings that lead to economic stimulus.
- **A Just Transition:** The right green policies can level the playing field in Connecticut. Displaced workers must be given access to training and new opportunities in the green economy, and policies like energy efficiency standards should impact small businesses and big corporations equally—and enable everyone to thrive.

For the sake of our future, **we must transition away from fossil fuels and to 100% clean, renewable energy.** This will require a Green New Deal which not only outlines a clear vision for the future, but also contains concrete

policies concerning **energy efficiency, renewable energy, sustainability, and resiliency.**

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